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May 6, 1977

Mr. Lawrence Ashdown  
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United States Steel Corp.  
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Dear Mr. Ashdown:

We have reviewed the MR-1 Forms and MR-2 Forms for the Desert Mound Mine and Keigley Quarry that you submitted on April 11, 1977.

In our opinion, the commitments made by your firm in these instruments are in concert with the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act. We are pleased that your firm has committed to trial revegetation plots at each operation. As the final reclamation scheme will depend upon information acquired from this research, we must ask that you add to item three (3) of Page three (3), MR-2 Form for each filing, that this revegetation research will be conducted in cooperation with the staff of this office and that the trial seed mixtures suggested by us for each operation will be tested. We are anxious to help your field personnel in their reclamation work and we fully agree with the concept of tailoring the reclamation plan for the environmental and economic conditions surrounding each operation.

If you agree to the above suggestion and make the required adjustments to each plan, you can submit the documents in final form with the required signatures.

Yours very truly,

DIVISION OF OIL, GAS, AND MINING

BRIAN W. BUCK  
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